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Title: MICROVALVE DEVICES

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 16, 2004 (Paper No. 9). Enclosed herewith is a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time up to and including July 16, 2004.

Kindly amend the above-identified U.S. patent application, without prejudice, as follows: